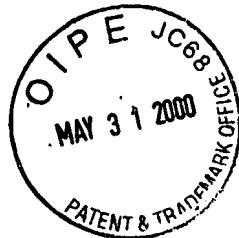


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIDEAKI MITSUTAKE, ET AL. )  
Application No.: 09/045,681 )  
Filed: March 23, 1998 )  
For: ELECTRON BEAM APPARATUS ) May 31, 2000  
AND IMAGE FORMING :  
APPARATUS )

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 59 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claim 57 as follows:

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